

2004 Planting Intentions

Oregon

Acreage intentions for 2004 are down for winter wheat, barley, dry edible beans and all hay. Spring wheat, corn and sugarbeet acreage are expected to be higher than in 2003, according to the Oregon Agricultural Statistics Service. Oat acreage is expected to hold steady.

Winter wheat growers intend to plant an estimated 870,000 acres, down 10 percent compared to last year but up 9 percent from 2002. **Spring wheat** acreage intentions are estimated at 150,000, up 5,000 acres from 2003.

Acres planted and to be planted to **corn** is estimated at 57,000 acres. This is up 12 percent from last year and up 19 percent from 2002.

Barley acreage is expected to decrease 8,000 acres from last year to 62,000 acres. In 2002, Oregon barley producers planted 78,000 acres.

Oat intentions are 60,000 acres, no change from last year but 14 percent below 2002.

Sugarbeet acreage is expected to total 11,000 acres and **dry edible bean** acreage is estimated at 5,000 acres.

Producers intend to harvest 1.105 million acres of **all hay**, 1 percent below last year's acreage.

Pacific Northwest

Pacific Northwest (Washington, Oregon and Idaho) **winter wheat** producers planted 5 percent fewer acres than they did for the 2003 crop. Idaho acreage decreased 5 percent and Washington acreage was down 3 percent. **Spring wheat** intentions are also down compared to last year. Idaho producers intend to plant 450,000 acres, while Washington producers report 480,000 acres planted or to be planted.

United States

Winter wheat planted area is 43.4 million acres, down 3 percent from 2003. **Other spring wheat** planted acreage is estimated at 13.3 million, down 4 percent from last year.

Corn planted area for all purposes is estimated at 79.0 million acres, up fractionally from both 2002 and 2003.

Barley growers intend to plant 4.68 million acres for 2004, down 12 percent from last year.

Acres seeded and to be seeded to **oats** are expected to total 4.31 million acres, down 6 percent from last year's planted area.

Area planted to **sugarbeets** is expected to total 1.36 million acres, slightly below the 2003 planted acreage. Prospective planting of **dry beans** totals 1.33 million acres, down 5 percent from last year.

Hay producers expect to harvest 63.7 million acres of all hay in 2004, up 1 percent from last year.

Crop summary: Acreage intentions, Oregon and United States, 2002-2004

Crop	Oregon				United States			
	Area planted ^{1/}			2004 2003	Area planted ^{1/}			2004 2003
	2002	2003	2004		2002	2003	2004	
	---1,000 acres---			Percent	---1,000 acres---			Percent
Winter wheat	800	970	870	90	41,766	44,945	43,372	97
Spring wheat ^{2/}	145	145	150	103	18,552	16,755	16,090	96
Corn, all field	48	51	57	112	78,894	78,736	79,004	100
Oats	70	60	60	100	4,995	4,601	4,312	94
Barley	78	70	62	89	5,008	5,299	4,683	88
Dry edible beans	9.8	7.0	5.0	71	1,929.7	1,406.1	1,333.0	95
All hay ^{3/}	1,115	1,115	1,105	99	63,942	63,342	63,731	101
Sugarbeets	11.3	9.7	11.0	113	1,427.3	1,365.4	1,358.6	100

1/ Acres planted or to be planted for all purposes. 2/ U.S. total includes Durum wheat. 3/ Acres for harvest.